

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Withdrawn) A filing tool for hardened-skin care, comprising a plurality of filing parts formed on a metal plate, wherein the filing parts each include a first nickel-plated layer, a second nickel-plated layer, and stone powders fixed between the first nickel-plated layer and the second nickel-plated layer.

2. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filing tool for hardened-skin care comprising a plurality of filing parts formed on a metal plate, the method comprising:

first step of setting a patterned photosensitive dry film on the metal plate;
second step of exposing the metal plate set with the dry film to light;
third step of removing a non-exposed portion of the dry film to form a masking pattern;

fourth step of plating nickel on the metal plate formed with the masking pattern to form a first nickel-plated layer, followed by uniformly applying stone powders on the first nickel-plated layer;

fifth step of further plating nickel on the stone powders to form a second nickel-plated layer thereby fixing the stone powders between the first nickel-plated layer and the second nickel plating layer; and

~~sixth step of fixing the stone powders between the first nickel plated layer and the second nickel plated layer, followed by removing the masking pattern.~~

3. (Original) The method as defined in claim 2, further comprising ultrasonically treating the metal plate formed with the masking pattern to remove impurities,

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followed by acid-cleaning the metal plate to remove an oxidation film of the metal plate and then activating a surface of the metal plate, between the third step and the fourth step.

4. (Original) The method as defined in claim 2, further comprising acid-cleaning the metal plate, and then activating a surface of the metal plate, followed by a nickel-plating process, after the sixth step.